

VICTIM OF HATCHET AT POINT OF DEATH

Alexander Bzunek, 524 S. Jackson st., lies at the point of death at Epworth hospital and the police are making a city-wide search for three Russian Poles as the result of a street brawl at Meade and Grey sts. shortly before 10 o'clock Sunday night.

In the shadow of the Polish church and almost before the worshippers had departed from the neighborhood, the quarrel grew out of an argument. One of the three men who attacked Bzunek struck him with a hatchet, fracturing his skull and inflicting other injuries from which the victim of the brawl may die. The three assailants of Bzunek, it is said, are residents of Meade st. but have only been in this country a little less than a month.

When found, Bzunek was unconscious. An ambulance was called and the injured man taken to the office of Dr. Oscar von Barandy, who performed an operation, assisted by Dr. Mitchell. The wound in Bzunek's head was more than an inch and a quarter in width and it was found necessary to operate immediately. Although the wounded man withstood the operation fairly well the danger of septic infection is great.

The attack upon Bzunek was one of the most brutal in the criminal history of the west end, according to reports of the affair, all three of the foreigners combining in a vicious rain of blows with fists and weapons on the defenseless man.

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FOOTBALL FIGHT LEADS TO POLICE COURT

As a result of a fight at Springbrook park between periods of a football game Sunday afternoon Homer Desormier, 815 E. Lasalle ave., was seriously injured and a charge of assault and battery was placed against Ernest Vargo, 2108 Merry av.

Vargo pleaded not guilty in police court Monday morning and the case was continued until Saturday, pending the results of Desormier's condition.

The boys were both spectators at the game between the Budweisers and the H. S. team. Although they were both members of the Huebner football team and played all season together there has been "bad blood" between them for some time and the feeling culminated in blows Sunday. Desormier received a terrible beating but witnesses declare the sympathy of the majority of the crowd was with young Desormier, who was attacked after falling in a half unconscious condition, it is said.

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CHAS. H. MILLHOUSE DIES AT RESIDENCE

Charles H. Millhouse, 80, father of Charles L. Millhouse, president of the McHenry-Millhouse Manufacturing Co., died at his residence, 1003 Riverside drive, Sunday night at 7 o'clock. He was born in New Berlin, Pa., in 1855. When a youth of 23, he went to Tipton, Ia., and opened a harness and saddlery business with which he was connected until 1905, when he retired from business and came to South Bend to live.

During his residence here he has been identified with several charitable institutions and has had considerable influence in business circles, although he in actuality had no real connection with any deal of great note. He was one of the strongest church workers in the congregation of the Westminster Presbyterian church and served that institution as elder for a number of years. He was also a Mason of high degree and was greatly interested in the welfare of that organization.

He is survived by his wife, Sallie Millhouse, and two children, Charles L., and Mary Belle Millhouse, both of whom live in South Bend.

Funeral services will be held at the residence Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. H. B. Hostetter, of the Westminster Presbyterian church, will give the funeral sermon, and burial will take place in Riverview cemetery.

NAME COMMITTEES FOR RED CROSS SEAL SALE

Christmas seals were placed on sale Monday morning in the post-office, several dry goods stores and banks in addition to those in which they were placed two weeks ago. The sale will be in charge of committees of young South Bend women as in previous years.

Miss Margaret Haeske and Miss Merle Shidler will have charge at the postoffice; Miss Ethel Crockett and Miss Ella Learn at Wymann's; Miss Mary Casey and Miss Marjorie Hibberd at Robertson's; Mrs. Thomas Olney and Mrs. George O'Brien in the corridor in the J. M. S. building; Mrs. W. G. Crabill at the Oliver hotel and Mrs. L. Clarence Ball at the Sax store.

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TRY NEWS-TIMES WANT ADS

COURT TO DECIDE VALUE OF CLOTHES

If Stolen Goods Are Worth \$25 Floyd Sears May Be Faced With Grand Larceny Charge.

Whether Floyd Sears, who confessed to stealing an overcoat and suit of clothes, will be bound over to the grand jury on a charge of grand larceny or whether Judge Farabaugh will make the decision in police court, will be decided Wednesday morning by the court, upon the evidence submitted Monday, when the defendant brought in witnesses to testify that the goods stolen were not worth more than \$5.

Sears gave the officers a hot chase in catching him last week and when most of the goods was found on his person he confessed. In police court it was asserted that he stole an overcoat worth \$20 and a suit worth \$18 from William Hicks, who lived in the same house with him. Part of the goods he sold to a barber and was about to leave the city when the officials nabbed him.

Three old-clothes dealers were brought in to testify to the value of the goods and asserted that they could not pay more than \$5 for the entire outfit, although they believed the goods might be sold for more. The prosecuting attorney asserted that the garments were worth more than \$25 and that a charge of grand larceny should be made.

THIS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE FINE FOR DAN CUPID

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A tax on bachelors in the national capital to provide pensions for widows with children is proposed by Rep. Borland of Missouri.

The bill, which is outlined, would tax unmarried men between 25 and 30 years \$100 a year; 30 and 35, \$200 a year, and \$300 a year for those 35 and upwards. Widows with one child under 14 years would get \$3 a month, and those with more, \$4 a month extra for each additional youngster.

MICH. LAWYER LEAPS 7 STORIES TO HIS DEATH

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Bevier Hall, a lawyer of Bay City, Mich., committed suicide Monday by leaping from the window of his room on the seventh floor of the hotel Marie Antoinette.

Despondency caused by overwork is believed to have caused his suicide.

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—An occasional "lag" may do good, according to Dr. Carl H. Homberg. It has been known to relieve the nervous strain of men working at high pressure, says the physician.

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STEALING "MONA LISA" EASY JOB

No Accomplice Either Directly or Indirectly Aided Italian in Carrying Off Valuable Masterpiece.

FLORENCE, Italy, Dec. 15.—Vincenzo Perugia, from whom Leonardo D'Vinci's masterpiece "Mona Lisa" was recovered Saturday, declared absolutely to the police Sunday that he had no accomplice of any sort in the theft of the picture from the Louvre. Nobody knew of his plan before its execution; nobody saw him when he abstracted the picture and nobody knew he had the painting in his possession.

"I did not take the painting through a desire for gain," he said, "but wished to accomplish a good and holy work by returning to my country, one of the many treasures stolen from it."

While working in the Louvre, he continued, he was overcome with shame on hearing visitors indicate the best works as Italian. One day he took this oath: "I will be unworthy of Italy if I do not return to her one of these masterpieces."

The idea obsessed him and the "Mona Lisa" was ever before him. When he could delay no longer he found that he could accomplish his purpose without great difficulty, as he was already known by those employed about the building. After the theft he was interrogated by the police, but his frankness and his request that they search his room, disarmed suspicion.

AT THE SURPRISE. A Marion Leonard picture "The Secret of the Dead" will be shown at the Surprise today.

The cast is not a large one. It gives good support. Especially worthy of mention are the physician and the mother who in delirium claims the child of the outcast woman and later denies kinship with it. The photography is a feature of this picture. It is excellent. One of the feasts where in the hypnotist is shown with a miniature figure of the mother in one hand and the daughter in the other, is said to be the first accomplishment of its kind in the country.

Miss Leonard shows in her interpretation of these two roles that there has been no lessening in the quality of her art—that there is an increasing depth of appeal. As the careful daughter she is charming; but as the mother, in the beginning with the fatherless infant and later struggling to protect the child grown to womanhood from the clutches of the black-maller, she is at her best.

LODGE NOTICES. South Bend Com. No. 13, K. T. Special convocate Tuesday evening, Dec. 16. Work in temple, 7:30 sharp. H. ELLIS, E. C. F. M. BOONE, Rec.

DANIELS PEEVED AT VETERANS' SONG?

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Secy. of the Navy Daniels would not admit that he was peeved because at the Carabao banquet, where he told army and navy veterans of the Philippine wars that the Philippine islands should be free, they followed his plea with the song: "Damn, damn, damn the insurrectos Cross-eyed, kaklack Ladronez, Underneath the starry flag, Civilize 'em with a Krag And return us to our own beloved homes."

WOMAN LAWYER WINS 15-YEAR-OLD LITIGATION

NEW YORK.—After 15 years of litigation over a building, Mrs. Helen Linder won her suit when she hired

BURN BIG LUMBER YARD

DEVENPORT, Eng., Dec. 15.—The largest lumber yard of the city was destroyed by a fire Monday, set by suffragets in revenge for the recent arrest of Mrs. Pankhurst. Militant literature was found in the ruins. The loss is \$250,000.

JEWELER DIES.

DOWAGIAC, Mich., Dec. 15.—William Snider, a prominent jeweler of this city, died Monday at the age of 50. Mr. Snyder formerly was located at Niles and was well known in southern Michigan among jewelers.

TRY NEWS-TIMES WANT ADS

WANT POINCAIRE AND WILSON TO MAKE VISITS

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The influential newspaper Le Matin Monday advocated strongly the proposal for an exchange of visits between Pres. Wilson of the U. S. and Pres. Poincare of France.

In diplomatic circles the belief is current that the idea for an exchange of visits arose here and that the real motive is to show the world that France stands solidly beyond the policy of the U. S. government in Mexico, Central and South America.

Negotiations are being carried on by the French and American embassies the newspaper says.

GLOVER, Vt.—A Christmas tree 40 feet high has been ordered by John D. Rockefeller and has been cut on F. H. Bean's farm here. It will cost about \$100.

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Men's Gift Slippers Black and tan Everett and Opera shapes, in many different styles of trimming; flexible soles; unusually good ones, at 98c	Men's Tan or Black Leather Romeo Slippers 98c	Men's and Women's Bath Slippers, 75c values 59c
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